

Advocacy and Lobbying On-line Resources for Museums and Non-Profits

Get Involved with Advocacy for Museums

American Association of Museums advocacy site: legislative priorities, action alerts, legislative updates, how to get involved, find your elected official and more.

<http://www.speakupformuseums.org/home.htm>

Enter your zip code and find the names and links to your U.S. Senators, U.S. House member, Governor, and state legislator for your district

<http://www.congressweb.com/cweb4/index.cfm?orgcode=aam>

Sign up for AAM Advocacy Alerts and Legislative Updates

<http://www.speakupformuseums.org/signup.htm>

Association of Midwest Museums Advocacy Site

<http://www.midwestmuseums.org/advocacy.html>

Background Information on Lobbying and Advocacy

Can Non-profits Lobby?

<http://www.donorsforum.org/policy/nlobby.html>

http://nonprofitmanagement.suite101.com/article.cfm/can_nonprofits_lobby

The IRS and Non-Profit Lobbying

(Worry-Free Lobbying for Nonprofits) <http://www.afj.org/assets/resources/resources2/Worry-Free-Lobbying-for-Nonprofits.pdf>

(IRS form 5768) www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/f5768.pdf

The Importance of Lobbying

www.astc.org/blog/2005/03/15/the-art-of-advocacy-winning-public-support/

Center for Lobbying in the Public Interest, www.clpi.org

Restrictions on partisan political activity

<http://www.afj.org/for-nonprofits-foundations/about-advocacy/Election-Activity.html>

Valuable Resources for Non-Profit Organizations

Alliance for Justice, www.afj.org

Nonprofit Voter Engagement Network, www.nonprofitvote.org

National Council of Nonprofits, www.councilofnonprofits.org

Non-Profits Involvement in Advocacy and Lobbying

Johns Hopkins Listening Post, Reports on non-profit organizations' involvement in public policy and advocacy:

http://www.ccss.jhu.edu/pdfs/LP_Communicues/LP_Communique13.pdf

http://www.ccss.jhu.edu/pdfs/LP_Communicues/LP_Communique9_Advocacy_2008.pdf

Example of Effective Advocacy Organization

Arts Alliance Illinois, <http://www.artsalliance.org/getinvolved.html>

Federal Legislation

<http://www.thomas.gov/>

Find Your State Legislative Information

<http://www.ncsl.org/?tabid=17173>

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